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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) or (c)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Applicant(s) respectfully submit(s) the items of information on the enclosed Form 1449 for the attention of the Examiner in the above-identified application.

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. According to M.P.E.P. §609, Applicant(s) request(s) that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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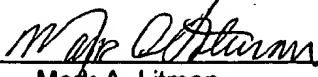
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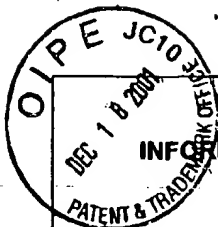
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